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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have just completed another National Encampment. I hope that those who attended felt as well repaid for coming as I did. I want to thank the Brigham Young Chapter and especially President Mark Stringham and David Lyon, Chairman of the Encampment and all others who worked so long and hard to bring it off. We appreciate all those who turned out to support it, some coming many, many miles. Paul Updike brought his bus load of people from the Mesa area who had been on a trip up the coast visiting the many temples. They

ended their trip at the convention.

The year is now on the down side but our organization is not on the down side. We are doing well. Financially we are in control for which we are grateful. We truly appreciate the backing of you wonderful people who have so generously supported us this year with your donations of money and labor. It takes the extra support we can each give to make and keep this a progressive and going organization. Our membership has continued to grow this year but we can't rest on our laurels, we must each one strive to bring in at least one new member this year. If it were possible for each of us to bring in two new members a year, think how fast we would grow. At least we can try to interest some one. There are some men who have brought in several members this year, so we know it can be done.

I am sure that you have all received the message that the annual dues have been lowered to \$20.00 a year. We are in hopes that this will encourage some of our children and younger men to join. We need to recognize that these young men have much to offer in the way of new ideas and vitality. Life memberships will remain the same. They can still be paid over three years.

If you have not driven up the freeway toward the mouth of Parleys Canyon and looked over toward our building, you have missed our newest addition.

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PIONEER DEADLINE

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ABOUT THE COVER:

This is a part of the painting by Bessie Taylor Goude which depicts the westward trek of the pioneers and their dream of religious freedom. The entire painting is on the wall in our Pioneer Hall at National Headquarters. She donated this painting along with two other large paintings which are displayed in our library. She died August 6, 1989.

Many paintings, artifacts and books are lost in attics or closets when they could give enjoyment to many people who visit our National Building and Library. Please consider donating your books, paintings, artifacts and monies to the SUP to leave your legacy to be enjoyed by all.

tion. We now have a sign which tells people what the building is. We have been overwhelmed with calls and messages telling us that we should have done this many years ago. It has been interesting to notice that since the sign went up, we have had from one to half a dozen calls a day asking for applications for memberships. This has never happened before. We know that advertising helps and this sign of our existence has certainly helped us.

Another project that has helped put us on the map is the new program which Garn Hatch, Dell Madsen and others in the Salt Lake City Chapter have instigated recently. It was in the Church Section and was announced at the Encampment. The long range goal is to try to find every pioneer who came west with the pioneer groups. There is a form in this magazine and information about it. We hope you will support this tremendous program. So far, we have had inquiries about it from all parts of the United States. Our name is becoming known and that is good.

Ruth and I personally would like to thank all you fine people that we have met as we have visited around the chapters. It was good to be at the organization of another new chapter, the Cotton Mission chapter. We wish them well. Everywhere we have gone we have been so well received and made to feel so welcome. You are each one special in our lives.

Keep up the good work.

Robert Wagstaff
National President

NAME MEMORIALIZATIONS

Leona Gay	1	AL
Enos Heward	1	EMC
Kenneth Rasmussen	2	JRT
Samuel J. Brown	2	Timp

NAME MEMORIALIZATIONS BY CHAPTER

At Large	6
Olympus Hills	2
Temple Fork	2
Jordan River Temple	2
Eagle Rock	2
Timpanogos	2
East Mill Creek	1

NEW MEMBERS SINCE June 1, 1990

DeLoy McMullin	Og Pi
Elden L. Jackman	Og Pi
Delbert Allan Cochran	SC
Robert M. Lohnes	SC
Max David Wheeler	EMC
Allan VanCott Jorgensen	EMC
Donald Edward Foulger	EMC
Gordon H. Diehl	SD
Harold A. Ranquist	SLC
Gary Paul Rose	GAS
Keith Hendricks Anderson	TF
Albert Hibbard	CM
Harold W. Norton	CM
H. Dean Larson	CM
Richard O. McArthur	CM
Arthur E. Redd	CM
Bill Schrepfer	CM
H. Wells Meeks	CM
Louis Kearns	CM
Preston V. Hall	CM
Charles Alma Randal	CM
Phyl Tyler	CM
Ellis Hunt	CM
Darlo Esplin	CM
Elwood Rebber	CM
Phillip Foremaster	CM
Thomas D. McArthur	CM
Antoine Nisson	CM
Wallen Brown	CM
Eldon Bishop	CM
Ross Brinkerhoff	CM
Keith Wilkins	CM
Morgan Skinner	CM
F. Keith Davis	Pal
LaVon Robert Moncur	AL
Glen Ervin Allred	SD
William Martin Jefferies	SC
Allan J. Parkinson	SC
Don V. Black	SC
J. Clifton Snow	AL
Francis Curtis Stoddard	ER
Gilbert M. Allred	GI
Erick Boyce Erickson	Og Pi
Lynn Ransom Burton	BE
Duane A. Frandsen	BY

NEW MEMBERS BY CHAPTER

At Large	4
Beehive	1
Brigham Young	12
Buena Ventura	2
Cotton Mission	31
Canyon Rim	1
Cedar City	5
Eagle Rock	1
East Mill Creek	6
East Mill Creek Mills	3
Eastern Sierra	18
George Albert Smith	3
Glendora	1
Holladay	1
Hurricane Valley	1
Jordan River Temple	4
Little Colorado River	1
Mesa	12
Murray	1
Ogden Pioneer	7
Olympus Hills	1
Oquirrh Mountain	3
Palmyra	14
Parleys Historical Park	4
Red Rock	2
Salt Lake City	3
Settlement Canyon	8
South Davis	14
Sugar House	2
Taylorsville/Bennion	6
Temple Quarry	3
Mountain Valley	1
Twin Peaks	3
Tempe	1
Temple Fork	1

TILE

1021 Max & Ann Wheelwright	CR
1022 Peggy & Jim Parry	CR
1023 Steve & Margaret Wheelwright	CR
1024 Jim & Bev Wheelwright	CR
1025 Cathy & Randy Ockey	CR
1026 Scott & Jenette Wheelwright	CR
1027 Tom & Rosemary Wheelwright	CR
1028 Gerold & Linda McKamey	AL
1029 Brent & LeAnn Lambson	AL
1030 Grant & Leona Gay	AL
1031 Don & Bessie Nelson	BE
1032 Denny & Ruth Wagstaff	Oly H
1033 Robert Troy Youngberg	CR
1034 Carrie Elizabeth Youngberg	CR
1035 Jennifer Eve Youngberg	CR
1036 Rebecca Ann Youngberg	CR
1037 Kiersten Kim Youngberg	CR
1038 Adam James Youngberg	CR
1039 John David Youngberg	CR
1040 Murlyn & Marzelle Brown	Timp
1041 Denman & Ruth Wagstaff	Oly H

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2132	Elliot J. Cameron	BY
2133	Garth A. Hanson	BY
2134	Hal L. Michelson	Og Pi
2135	Charles L. Alley	CR
2136	K.V. Hansen	BE
2137	Ray Pixton Beck	SC
2138	Max David Wheeler	EMC
2139	Allan VanCott Jorgensen	EMC
2140	Donald Edward Foulget	EMC
2141	Garn H. Willis	RR
2142	Harold A. Ranquist	SLC
2143	O. Jay Hadley	Mur
2144	Fritz Hohman	SD
2145	Gary Paul Rose	GAS
2146	Neil Rollins	AL
2147	Ellis Hunt	CM
2148	Antonne Nisson	CM
2149	Wallen Brown	CM
2150	Ross Brinkerhoff	CM
2151	Keith Wilkins	CM
2152	Norman L. Daniels	PH
2153	F. Keith Davis	Pal
2154	Francis Curtis Stoddard	ER
2155	Karl Wesley McBride	SC
2156	Lynn Ransom Burton	BE
2157	Erick B. Erickson	Og Pi
2158	Larry K. Bailey	Gl

SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS

For many years we have been asked why we haven't let people know what the building on the south side of the hollow was. When people have finally taken the time to drop in on us and taken a look through the building, they have been both pleased and amazed that we are here. They have continually asked why we haven't put up a sign to say what the building was.

Finally, it has been accomplished through the generosity of our President, Robert Wagstaff and the Young Electric Sign Company who, incidentally, absorbed some of the cost because their President is Tom Young, a Life Member of our organization, who is currently serving a mission with his wife, Dwann. We deeply appreciate the generosity of our President and the Youngs.

We have had many people call or drop in and many, many others who have written to tell us how great they think it is. It has also brought a tremendous increase in requests for applications for membership in our organization. Had we known how great the response would be, we would have found a way to do this many years ago.

Advertising is great, so we hope

you will advertise to your friends about the SUP and invite them to join us and visit with you at one of your chapter meetings.

If you are an At Large member, you are encouraged to try to start a chapter in your area. It has been done before and can be done again. Let us know if you need help.

Be sure to come and see us. □

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING BUS ROUTE

Commencing about the first of September, 1990, the Salt Lake Transit Company is changing the route of their Canyon Rim bus so that it will come East on 3300 South a block further and turn North on Valley St. (NOT Metropolitan Way).

This means that anyone wanting or needing to ride a bus to get to our building, will be able to get off the bus at the entrance to our parking lot. There will be a stop there.

This will help chapters from Provo, Bountiful and other areas who want to have an excursion to our building for lunch or just a visit, to be able to stop by our building.

Just check your bus schedules and find where you can transfer to the Canyon Rim bus.

Those from outside of the city, can schedule special buses for groups and they will bring you right to our building.

We have been working on this for some time to enable people who want to come to visit or work in our library, to be able to ride right to our door.

We hope many of our friends will take advantage of this and pay us a visit anytime Monday thru Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the afternoon. REMEMBER, we do close at 4 p.m. □

DAYS OF '47 PARADE

Hollis D. Smith
Chairman of SUP Days of 47

As the first pioneers struggled into the Salt Lake Valley on July 24, 1847, they were forced to subdue their thoughts of celebrating. The planting season was far advanced and they desperately needed shelter. Again, in 1848 they were too busy. Full efforts were focused on battling crickets and fending off starvation. Food supplies were scarce; the anniversary passed with little fanfare.

By 1849 it was a different story. The day began with cannon blasts which awakened several thousand valley residents. This was followed by a marching brass band playing favorite patriotic tunes. At 7 a.m. the band stopped at the bowery, an open-sided shelter measuring 60 by 100 feet, and covered with tree branches. It was located on the southwest corner of an otherwise empty Temple Square. As the crowd gathered, a giant flag was raised atop a 104 foot flagpole.

The celebration continued throughout the day with programs, feasting, parades, and with the Nauvoo Bell pealing as volley after volley of musket fire sounded through the air. This parade started the tradition which has lasted until today." From an article entitled HISTORY OF THE YEARLY CELEBRATIONS.

The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers were thrilled and anxious to participate again in the DAYS OF '47 PARADE. President Wagstaff and the National Officers heartily thank those who participated in the parade. It takes no small effort to prepare for this great and exciting event.

If one doesn't feel that it takes almost Herculean effort to prepare for an activity of this kind, just ask Pres. George Ivory and his wife Jenille who spent

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President George Ivory making temple for float

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days and also all night the day preceding the parade preparing a replica of the Salt Lake Temple. Their son and daughter-in-law also worked along side them to finish in time for the parade. Along with this great effort comes a few set-backs. We understand Richard Steed had taken the responsibility of preparing the WORLD GLOBE for the float. He had decided to purchase a balloon that would inflate to the six foot circumference that he wanted and just as it arrived to the desired size, it burst. There were no more to be purchased. Other plans had to be made and he surmounted the problem. Lorraine Karren managed to run into a ditch at Clyde Reaveley's home where the float was being constructed.. She claimed she wasn't getting enough attention just working on the float. Clyde, our hat is off to you for providing such a great facility and also the trailer for the float.

Even though many hours of toil and perspiration went into preparing the float, small wagon, oxen, horses and the travel, they have for many years to come, the memories, comradeship and fun topics of conversation always in their minds from the hours put into this project.

The line-up of the Sons of Utah Pioneers part of the parade was mailed into the Days of '47 Committee and following is the way it read;

1. Surrey - National President Robert Wagstaff and his charming wife Ruth. The Surrey is owned and operated by Reed and Mildred Maxfield of Midvale, Utah.

2. Covered Wagon - National President-elect, Kenneth Rasmussen and wife Elsie; National Past President, Morris Bennion and wife Faye.

Bryant Miller and son Barrey from Herriman driving this beautiful team of Belgian horses.

3. Covered Wagon - Courtesy of Old Deseret at Pioneer Trail State Park. Oxen trained and driven by Quain Peterson and Joe Todd. Nolan Hanson was the brakeman.

4. Covered Wagon - Ken Hummel family from Hooper, Utah accompanied this wagon. We were informed the oxen weigh 2,000 pounds each.

5. The next two covered wagons are from Emery County, home of the Castle Valley Pioneer Pageant. The first wagon was driven by Don Clements with outriders Lee Jeffs and Tyler Jeffs.

The next wagon pulled by a team of



National President Robert Wagstaff and wife Ruth leading the entry of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers in the Days of '47 Parade.



Some of the ten handcarts that were pulled by chapter members in the parade.



Sons of the Utah Pioneers float made by the Beehive Chapter.

beautiful black mares, was driven by Cloyd and Zada Seeley. The outriders were Montell Seely and Tommy Reid.

6. The next two handcars were from the Castle Valley Pageant. They were pulled by the Mantel Seeley family and the Stan Colby family.

7. Handcart - East Mill Creek Mills Chapter pulled by Chuck and Leslie Boulton and Dave & Melinda Pitcher and their children.

8. Two handcars - Sugar House Chapter, pulled by Winston and Barbara Jones and Thomas and Debbie Richards and their children. Also Mike and Stephanie Lund and their children.

9. Handcart - East Millcreek Chapter, pulled by Elon Hansen and family and friends.

10. Handcart - Holladay Chapter, pulled by Gary and Cynthia Prince and children and Brint and Peggy Walker and their children.

11. Handcart - Jordan River Chapter pulled by Grandpa Elbert Porter and children.

12. Handcart - South Davis chapter, pulled by Perry and Lisa Smith and children.

13. Handcart - Settlement Canyon Chapter, pulled by Robert & Linda Clegg and children and Aunt.

14. Float - This beautiful float was made by the Beehive Chapter under the direction of George Ivory. There were six countries represented holding ribbons attached to a large world globe plus two missionaries.

With the background of the beautiful model of the Salt Lake Temple and the glorious blue color of the float, it was something to behold. We want Beehive Chapter to know how very much we appreciated the terrific amount of work that went into this beautiful creation.

We hope everyone was able to see our entries. □

PROVO ENCAMPMENT A SUCCESS!

From Thursday, August 9th through Saturday evening, August 11th, some 320 members and spouses of the National Society enjoyed the hospitality and special attention of the staff of Brigham Young University and the Brigham Young Chapter.

At noon on Thursday, Dave Martin hosted the members of the "Grand Son" Club and their spouses at a special luncheon in the Skyroom of the Wilkinson Center.

In the afternoon those who registered spent their time getting settled and becoming oriented to the campus. In the evening the welcoming banquet featured fine food and the remarks of J. Elliott Cameron, President of the Provo Temple, and member of the Brigham Young Chapter. Chris Smith, an accomplished bassoonist who has performed internationally, accompanied by his wife Pat, entertained the assembly. The host chapter ladies had fashioned table centerpieces of beehives made of rope with several bees buzzing around them.

On Friday morning, everyone enjoyed an extensive menu for breakfast in the Morris Center Cafeteria. A group from Mesa who had just completed an extensive bus tour up the coast to Canada and back to Utah, drove into Salt Lake for a tour of the National Building and other locations. Another group took a ride on the Heber Creeper enjoying box lunches enroute along the scenic ride. Members of the host chapter became guides around the campus escorting groups to the Lee Library, Eyring Science Center, Marriott Center, the Bean Museum and other campus facilities of interest. A few rode in the large golf carts which had been provided.

At noon a delicious luncheon was enjoyed by our people. After lunch, those who were interested, were taken on a tour of the Pioneer Village and Museum at 500 North and 500 West which was especially opened for those who attended the Encampment. This village and museum is maintained jointly by members of the George Albert Smith Chapter and members of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers Camp in Provo. A local photographer, Rell Francis, showed pioneer era photographs in a room in the law school. Mr. Francis has recently donated a collection of over 15,000 glass plate negatives to BYU.

In the evening, dinner was served in

the Memorial Lounge of the Wilkinson Center. Following dinner, some songs were sung and then the two candidates running for President-elect were introduced and they both addressed the group. Again, the ladies of the host chapter had done themselves proud with the table center pieces which were composed of Ivy and flowers with small seagulls flying above them.

Following dinner, the group went next door to the DeJong Concert Hall for an extremely fine program which was put on by a professional group called "The Duttons". This is a group composed of members young and old of a family whose ability to render all kinds of music whether grass, country or classical music was overwhelming. They were truly awesome in their ability to play any instrument or do whatever was required. They are truly a remarkable and talented family.

On Saturday morning, the Executive Board held their customary breakfast meeting in the Wilkinson Center. All others ate breakfast in the Morris Center Cafeteria. At 9 a.m. the men held their business meeting while the ladies enjoyed a special program in the Wilkinson Center. Marydell L. Pearson gave a presentation as Eliza R. Snow, featuring her composing influence then and now. She was followed by Janice Kapp Perry as a composing sister of our day.

At noon at the special luncheon, recognition and awards were presented to the chapters and individuals who had distinguished themselves during the preceding year. Table decorations were based on a "Hats Off" theme. These were given out as favors.

In the afternoon, those attending the encampment who desired to do so, were taken on more guided tours of the various outstanding exhibits and places of interest on the campus.

In the evening, everyone gathered for the final President's Banquet. A delightful meal was partaken of while we enjoyed a program composed of some of the extremely talented members of the BYU dance team. Two ballroom dancers, Rob Cummings and Angela Burns, were charming and entertained us with two fine numbers. Mark and Joy Hawk then danced for us. Mark was with the BYU team that won world championship bronze and silver medals in West

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CHAPTERS FIND AWARDS MOTIVATING

A special plague was awarded to the Hurricane Chapter for a score of over 18,000 points on the score sheet.

Some may wonder how a score like that could be amassed. For those who are not aware, we award points for monies and hours of labor given to the National organizations. The Hurricane Chapter presented over \$8,000 to the National from the 1989 encampment. The 500 points per category are not involved when dollars or hours of labor are provided to the National Society. The Chapter also in cooperation with the city of Hurricane developed a beautiful park and monuments, to mention some of their activities. Hurricane is our largest chapter and has the most Life Members.

The South Davis chapter amassed over 8,000 points. The chapter had a project to earn over \$700.00 for the National Society and gave many hours of labor. It also organized the development of parks and a very spacious monument. The chapters both found the projects brought a real stimulus for new members.

The Holladay Chapter contributed a great many hours of labor at the Center and were very active in most every category on the score sheets to amass over 5,500 points.

The Taylorsville/Bennion Chapter earned almost 5,000 points, much of it from donated labor. Other chapters which were highly recognized were the Ogden Pioneer Chapter for a very balanced program and East Mill Creek Mills for a balanced program.

Canyon Rim balanced a program with strong emphasis on name memorializations and tile purchases. Other Chapters awarded gold certificates included Box Elder, Sugar House, Brigham Young, Twin Peaks, Olympus Hills, Temple Quarry, Settlement Canyon, Mesa, Beehive, George Albert Smith, East Mill Creek, and Timpanogos.

We would like to include every other chapter in next year's summary. The outstanding individuals included Walter L. Ewell, Oquirrh Mountain Chapter, and Walter R. Buss, Ogden Pioneer Chapter, each tied for the plague. Others who received the Gold award were Russell C. Harris, East Mill Creek Mills; Robert T. Wagstaff, Olympus Hills; and Melvin B. Peart, Box Elder.

Again we felt every chapter should recognize an outstanding individual. In the category of outstanding couples, Julius Henry & Irene Platt Geilman and H. Delmar & Earlene Layton were awarded plaques for outstanding achievements while all the others received the Gold award. Those receiving the Gold award were E. Morton & Rula Hill (East Mill Creek Mills) Orrin P. & Amy A. Miller (Settlement Canyon), LeRoy H. & Carol Ward (Box Elder), Richard T. & Gwen Stucki (Cedar), Lewis & Colleen Nelson (Olympus Hills), Junius Gilbert & Gretchen Louise Covington (Oquirrh Mountain).

Only six stories worthy of the Gold Award were submitted. They were submitted by Donald J. Rosenberg, "Gold Hill"; Leonard M. Hawkes-"First Culvert South of The Bend"; Florence Youngberg- "Faith of Mary Ann"; Martha S. T. Anders- "History of Wallace F. Toronto"; Lucille M. McDonald-"History of Marriner Wood Merrill"; Giauque Hodge-"History of Mary Ellen Anderson". □



David Lyon and wife - Encampment Chairman



Ken and Elsie Rasmussen Receiving Grand Son Certificate and Pin from David O. Martin



Delmar & Earlene Layton - Outstanding Couple - Mesa, Az.



Julius & Irene Geilman - Outstanding Couple - Ogden Pioneer



Walter Ewell - Outstanding Individual - Oquirrh Mt.

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Germany for his dancing. A team of dancers performed for us and also did a very fine job. Henry Anderegg, accompanied by his wife Montess, enthralled us with his rendition of "If I Were a Rich Man" from Fiddler on the Roof and another number "Glory Road".

Glen Greenwood then announced the new President-elect, Morris P. Bennion. He also announced the results of the Area Vice Presidents election.

Sam Gordon gave out the balance of the awards. The concluding speaker was Arthur Erikson who told of his ancestor John Benbow, on whose farm in England, the first Mormon converts were baptized. President Wagstaff thanked the host chapter and all those who had attended the encampment for their support. Thus another encampment became history as everyone returned to their homes. □



J.C. PENNEY CO. DONATES TO THE NATIONAL SUP

During the Encampment in Provo, Dick Steed presented Pres. Bob Wagstaff a \$400.00 check for the National SUP from the J.C. Penney Company.

On Thursday, August 9th, Dick was honored by the J.C. Penney Company and was selected as a recipient of the 1990 James Cash Penney Award for



Pres. Robert Wagstaff presenting Cotton Mission Charter to Dean Larson of St. George

community service. As a result of this Award, the J.C. Penney Company gave Dick a check payable to the National Society of the SUP in the amount of \$400.00. Dick received this award as recognition for his work at the National Headquarters in converting our accounting records to a computerized system. □



MORRIS P. BENNION PRESIDENT-ELECT FOR 1991

At the 1990 Encampment which was just held, Morris P. Bennion was elected to the position of President-elect for 1991.

Those elected to serve a two-year term as Area Vice Presidents are:

<i>Central Arizona</i>	J. Smith Decker
<i>Washington, DC</i>	Lindsey Thomas
<i>Calif./South</i>	Joseph F. Watkins
<i>Box Elder Area</i>	LeRoy Ward
<i>Cache/Temple Fork/Eagle Rock</i>	Karlo Mustonen
<i>Weber/Og.Pion./Buena Vent.</i>	Richard Moyle
<i>No.SL/So.Davis/SLC/SL Pion.</i>	Howard Stringham
<i>East SL/Cany.Rim/Oly Hills/Mills/Pion.</i>	Daniel M. Smith
<i>Heritage</i>	Daniel M. Smith
<i>So. SL/Temple Quar./Union Ft/ Oq.Mt/</i>	Walter Ewell
<i>Set. Canyon/ JordanRiver Temple</i>	Verdell Hinton
<i>So. Utah/Cedar City/Red Rock/ Cotton</i>	
<i>Mission/Hurricane</i>	

We also have a new Regional Representative for the Northern Utah and Idaho area. Verl Petersen of Brigham City was asked to accept this position.

We welcome all these gentlemen as members of our Board for the 1991 year. As they visit your chapter please make them feel welcome. Ask for their help if needed. They will appreciate your calls.

We want to welcome Morris Bennion in his second term as President-elect. He hopes to be able to continue to help the organization grow. He instigated some new programs during his term and he hopes that his next term will be as fruitful. Let's all get behind him and behind next year's President, Kenneth Rasmussen as he gets ready to assume his duties as the new President in 1991. □

GREAT GRANDMOTHER'S SOAP MAKING PROJECT AND OTHER FOND MEMORIES

by Dale I. Nilson

It was just an old shanty in Great Grandmother's homestead town but what a wonderful building it was for only one room. They were usually built onto or close by the home and connected by a breezeway. It was here she did most of her summer cooking, washing and baking, canning fruit, pickles, berries and jams and vegetables, and drying corn and apples in the sun to escape the inside heat of the home. The old shanty would accommodate sauerkraut making if you were German, grind coffee beans if you were Scandinavian, or make tea if you were English. Here also, is where homemade soap was manufactured pioneer style. You could easily tell when this project was going on by the pungent smell. How could anyone forget that experience of by-gone days? Never, if you were fortunate enough to have lived in those days of Granny's shanty in shanty town.

As I recall, soap was made from pork grease and scraps of bacon and ham rinds. Beef and mutton tallow and lye made from wood ashes were also included. All that was lost was the squeal of the pig. The soap, very soft, was cut into bars and put out in the sun for weeks to dry. When ready, it was chipped into a caldron of boiling water that had been heated on the wood burning stove, and then poured into the wash tub of the washing machine if you were fortunate enough to own one. If you didn't, the soap was used for rubbing on the scrubbing board in a tub of hot water by hand. Then the clothes were hung out on the now-days forgotten clothes line in the warm sunshine and fresh air. Young people today know little or nothing of scrubbing boards or outside clothes lines in the warm summer breeze. They are familiar only with gas or electric tumble tub dryers. A bar of soap put in the grain bin would keep mice out. One whiff of homemade soap would clear out your sinuses and save a doctor bill. To bathe with this soap would put you on the persona non grata list. This soap would easily cut out black wagon axle grease from overalls.

The mice would only dance and sing around a mousetrap bait with margarine, but every time they would go for butter or cheese. Boys would experiment with smoking cedar bark in a home-made corn cob pipe — what an aroma. The hired man would give you a big chaw of chewing tobacco — a few minutes later you would be afraid you would die, the next minute afraid you would not die. Ah, the smell of Cuban Havana outside in the fresh air on a cold winter night. Churning butter by hand, making one pound packs in the butter mold - priced at 20 cents per pound to pay off the mortgage on the ranch, and keep soles on your shoes, a straw hat on your head, and overalls on your back. Ten cents would take you to a movie once a month to see William S. Hart, Hoot Gibson, Fatty Arbuckle, Gloria Swanson, Charlie Chaplin, Ethel Barrymore, Greta Garbo and Wallace Berry. Five cents for a candy bar, an ice cream cone, soda water, or popcorn.

You would take your pony into the blacksmith shop to get your pony shod and ask Seldon Jensen "Sass" if he would shoe her for a penny a nail and double it each nail. "32 nails" He would say, "H-LL no, how dumb do you think I am?" Then you would start counting and doubling the 32 nails. When you would get towards \$250,000 he would change his mind. The price of shoeing one horse was \$1.25. Or take the wheat farmer who thought he had a real good deal; a hired man, a "drifter" agreed to work for a kernel of wheat a day and double it each day. By the end of the year the hired man owned the ranch, home, and buggy and a span of mules. Little things count if done faithfully and consistently over long periods of time. Sometimes the turtle wins the race, even on a fast track!

On cakes and pies we would put dairy whipped cream. To put artificial, non dairy creamer on a dairyman's food is too far out and into passande and revolting to a dairyman's well being and healthy lifestyle. Put wild flowers - cow slips, butter cups, bluebells, Indian paint brush, sego lilies, choke cherry blossoms - in homes and on graves, natural native beauty.

We will always remember Granny for her expert soap making and all the other activities in and around her good old shanty. The apple, cherry, gooseberry, rhubarb, and huckleberry pies made with fresh fruit from her garden or orchard. It is with pride and appreciation and love that we honor her and her pioneer labors of years gone by in her shanty, in her big front apron, in shanty town. Once in a while it is good to be an old timer, even with our aches and creaking joints. Would we live them again? "Yes." Would we, or could we, forget? "Never, never." □

AN UP-DATE ON OLYMPUS HILLS CHAPTER

by Pete Nelson

It is amazing how fast the year is slipping by... The Olympus Hills Chapter have had wonderful dinner meetings and we would like to bring you up-to-date by telling you about the April and May Meetings.

In April we were pleased to hear from Milton V. Backman, Jr., a Professor of Law at B.Y.U. who told us of history pertaining to the saints who lived in the time of Brigham Young in the Eastern States. What a wealth of information he has worked hard to obtain.

In May we spent a delightful evening with Robert H. Moss who came to our dinner meeting to tell of the Bear River Massacre and other interesting events that took place during the early settling of the West.

WAGONS, HO!!

Saturday, June 2, 1990:

It is only 4:45 and already the wagon is being loaded with people and their possessions. Finally all is in readiness, including the late-comers, and Trek Masters Cliff and Carol Spendlove shout "Wagon, Ho" and we are off.

Thus began the great Western Desert Trek of the Olympus Hills Chapter Party undertaken by 38 souls. They were leaving their nice homes on Mt Olympus to go out into the fierce desert, following the route of the Pony Express, in their wagon (disguised as a Lake Shore Coach).

It was a great experience to see the lights of the city go out as the sun approached and to have breakfast served. It was a great experience to see Camp Floyd, Lookout Pass, Simpson Springs, Dugway Pass, then into Fish Springs to take a tour of the wildlife refuge and stopping there to have a wonderful lunch. Then onto Boyd Station, Callao, Bagley Ranch, Gold Hill into Wendover for dinner.

The Trek Masters kept the group informed of interesting fact about all things seen along the way. They furnished them with history about the Pony Express Riders and about the maintaining of the Way Stations. They saw the desert vegetation in bloom and found it hard to imagine that not so long ago fierce Indian tribes had roamed this same land.

After dinner, with a fresh team of horses, the weary travelers again loaded



the wagon and headed for the safety of their Salt Lake Valley. Finally, at 11:15 P.M. they arrived home feeling fortunate to having a good teamster that could find his way back in the dark.

Many thanks go to the Trek Masters, Cliff and Carol Spendlove and to the Chapter President Leon Jensen for arranging and accomplishing this adventure.

VERY IMPORTANT PERSON

Pictured below is Gordon Godfrey,



a member of the Olympus Hills Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. This is a picture of a man that brings smiles to everyone in his chapter at every dinner meeting because for years Gordon has been responsible and very diligent in his assignment in the Chapter. Every dinner meeting Gordon decides on the menu, arranged for its preparation and transports it to the National Headquarters Building where our meetings are held. He sees that it is kept hot, or cold, as the case may be, and sees that it is artistically arranged on the serving table for us to use. The food is always very tasty and there is always a great variety in the menu.

Thanks from all of the members of Olympus Hills Chapter to Gordon for a job well done. A special "thank you" from the wives of the members. It is always a treat to 'eat out' and not have to prepare anything.

THANK YOU, GORDON. □

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HOLLADAY CHAPTER VISITS LAST ENCAMPMENT



Light from kerosene lamps flickered on the tables and shown on 70 faces of the Holladay Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and their wives, as they gathered on the Gary Bowen property in Emmigration Canyon; 800 feet from the Last Encampment of Brigham Young and his Pioneer Company on July 23rd, 1847.

Prior to descending into Salt Lake Valley, it was here that Brigham Young, weak of body but strong of spirit, was lifted to view the valley and said, "YES, THIS IS THE RIGHT PLACE". This was the place he had seen in a vision during the long trek across the plains in 1847.

Once more a chorus of voices singing "Come Come Ye Saints" floated off into the wind...to join the voices of the Brigham Young Pioneer Company. But the day was not July 23rd, 1847, it was July 13th, 1990. The evening breeze was cool and comforting. The wind rustled in the trees and the stream rushing by near the encampment had a melodious sound. Perhaps it too was remembering those valiant pioneers.

Earlier in the week, two young men, Michael and Todd Burnett, crouched in the dirt, weeding the area around the monument marking the Last Encampment... polishing the plaque that heralded that great moment in history. That moment when valiant pioneers opened up the West and settled in an area that supported only a lone tree and miles of waste land. Michael and Todd Burnett polished and weeded as their grandfather, Larry Birrell, worked at their side, relating stories from the Journal of their Great Great Grandfather Captain Edwin Rushton of the Brown Company, who with a blind mother, wife and young baby, travelled that famous route to the West.

The trek to the site of the Last Encampment on July 13th was hosted by Larry and Phyllis Birrell. Early in the



day President Vern Taylor of the Holladay Chapter and his wife Marian, were busy peeling potatoes, carrots, and cutting chunks of beef for the wonderful stew to be served that night. Meanwhile, Garry Bowen prepared his cabin site for the event. It took many long hours of work by everyone involved, but perhaps that was the only worthy tribute to so great a people.

As Larry and Phyllis Birrell hurried between tables assisting four charming Beehive Girls serving dinner, they couldn't help but remember that the ground upon which they walked had, over a decade ago, resounded to the running of little pioneer feet; tired feet shuffling below long swishing, dusty

skirts; feet that had walked the long road to freedom.



Chapter Director Robert Sidwell presented Heber J. Shepherd with his Life Membership Certificate, as his wife Edith looked on.

Vice President, A. Gary Bowen, reviewed the history of his cabin site which was purchased by his Great Grandfather from a son of Brigham Young. He related the trials of the Pioneer Company led by Brigham Young.

As Daniel and Lila Cripps fanned the coals of the Dutch Ovens and scooped out the last of the Peach cobbler they had prepared for the occasion, guest speaker



President Robert Rushton of Cannon Stake, shared the trials of his Great Grandfather, Captain Edwin Rushton of the Brown Company. His wife Joyce read a closing tribute by Emma McKay,

A Noble Father.

I follow a noble father,
His honor is mine to wear.
He gave me a name,
That was free from shame
A name he was proud to bear.
I follow an honest father
And him I must keep in mind.
Though his form is gone,
I must carry on,
The name that he left behind.
It was mine on the day he gave it.
It shown as a monarch's crown.
And as fair to see
As it came to me,
It must be
When I put it down.

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THE UTAH PIONEER IMMIGRANT PROJECT

by M. Dell Madsen and Floyd Garn Hatch

The Salt Lake City Chapter has initiated a long-range project to compile a complete list of persons who immigrated to Utah Territory during the period July, 1847 – May 10, 1869, and settled there. Chapter President Richard E. Turley has placed responsibility for the development and direction of the project in the hands of a committee consisting of Preston Woolley Parkinson, chairman, with Elder Eldred Gee Smith, Floyd Garn Hatch, and M. Dell Madsen.

The project is an outgrowth of a suggestion made by Parkinson, who has devoted a considerable portion of his life to compiling and editing histories of his ancestral families. In his extensive researches Parkinson became aware that, although there were a number of compilations that included the names of many Utah pioneers, with accompanying biographical data, nowhere was there a comprehensive list of pioneers. He was appointed chairman of a committee to explore the proposed project in depth. This resulted in a committee recommendation that was then approved by the chapter's executive board and membership.

Although the term "pioneer" is sometimes construed more broadly, the project, as defined, will focus on those persons – men, women, and children – who came to Utah Territory during the period beginning with the original Mormon pioneer group in July of 1847 and ending with the driving of the Golden spike on May 10, 1869, marking the completion of the transcontinental railroad. Special attention will also be given to the estimated 6,000 persons who left their homes to migrate to Utah during the pioneer period but who were lost along the way.

Much of the data – names and other identifying and biographical information – will be extracted from existing compilations, such as the well known "Pioneers and Prominent Men of Utah" and Susan Ward Easton Black's 50-volume "Membership of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (1830-1848)". The other extensive collections accessible through the LDS Family History Library will be a major source. In some respects, this aspect of the project will resemble the highly successful name extraction program of the LDS

Church, and it will yield data on all of the well known pioneer immigrants and many of those who are less well known.

In that it will be some time before submitted information will be entered into a data bank, it is not now feasible to identify the pioneers on whom data has already been received. New submissions may provide important information in addition to data already on hand. *Readers are urged to fill out and submit forms promptly for identified persons.*

However, the project committee believes that a considerable number of settlers who came to Utah during the pioneer period are not identified in existing compilations. In any event, there is no single comprehensive list. Not all the pioneer immigrants came over the historic Mormon trail from the Missouri River. Some came via California, for example. And not all the pioneer immigrants were Mormons. A modern history of Utah indicates that in the late 1850's the combination of Johnston's Army and its associated civilian employees and others created a city of 7,000 at Fairfield, and that many of these immigrants remained as pioneer settlers of Utah.

Estimates vary as to the total number of Utah pioneers. Approximations based on the records of LDS pioneer companies from eastern departure points suggest that about 60,000 immigrants came to Utah by that mode. On the other hand, 80,000 total pioneers is a number sometimes quoted. One of the important objectives of the project is to establish a total that will be accepted as definitive.

The committee has concluded that the best way to obtain data on many of the pioneer immigrants is through their descendants. To this end the committee has developed a form for use by individuals in submitting names and biographical data for pioneers. The form provides space for the entry of over thirty different items of information concerning the person under consideration. Items of greater significance have been marked with an asterisk. A sheet of instructions accompanies the submission form. Copies of a completed form (example), blank submission forms and an instruction sheet follow this article in the Pioneer. These may be easily removed and photocopied. Forms will

also be available through the national SUP office and other cooperating organizations.

While the project is being activated by the Salt Lake City Chapter, with the encouragement of the national society, the assistance of other SUP chapters in distributing the submission forms and encouraging their use is being sought. A pilot project conducted by the chapter has received enthusiastic response from some descendants of Utah pioneers. One such participant has submitted data on over 60 pioneers.

Data obtained by the committee through the extraction and submission programs will be entered into a computer data base. Data obtained from different sources concerning a single individual will be brought together and unified. The data so compiled will be made available to researchers and will ultimately be published in a form yet to be determined. It is anticipated that data will be submitted on some persons who do not fit the strict pioneer immigrant criteria defining the project. Although such submissions will not be tabulated, they will be filed for later consideration.

Chairman Parkinson and committee member Elder Eldred Gee Smith, both vigorous men in their eighties, are optimistic that they will see the completion of this ambitious project, although they admit that it might be a close call.

The committee will welcome volunteer assistance in the following areas:

1. *Extraction:* Persons interested in extracting data on pioneer immigrants from published sources. This work can be performed at home using materials already available to the volunteer, or using materials supplied by the committee.

2. *Data Entry:* Persons with keyboard skills to enter extracted or submitted data into a computer data base.

3. *Submitting Data:* Submission of names and associated data on the standard forms supplied by the committee.

Those interested in participating in this project are invited to contact the Utah Pioneer Immigrant Project Committee through the National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers, 3301 East 2920 South Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109-4260; Phone: 1- 801-484-4441. □

(pioneer immigrant example)
PIONEER IMMIGRANTS TO UTAH TERRITORY

(*Entries of primary importance)

0 Category _____
 1 Entry No _____
 2 Pion Imm No _____
(Entries 0, 1 & 2 are for SUP use)

3* Surname (in caps) HATCH
 4* First and middle names Permelia Jane LOTT
 5* Sex F 6* Date of birth (D M Y) 2 Oct 1832
 7* Place of birth Bridgeport, Susquehanna Co, PA
 8* Father Cornelius Peter Lott
 9* Mother Permelia Darrow
 10 Spouse(s) (1) Abram Hatch (2) _____
 11 Date(s) of marriage (1) 2 Dec 1852 (2) _____
 12 Place(s) of marriage (1) Lehi, Utah Co, UT (2) _____
 13* Date(s) of departure 7 Jun 1848
 14* Place(s) of departure Winter Quarters, NE
 15* Traveling companions Father, Cornelius Peter (50); Mother, Permelia (43); bro, sis-in-law, nephew, John Smiley (22), Mary Ann Fausett (17), Lyman Cornelius (3 mo) (died at Winter Quarters); 2 bro, Joseph Darrow (9) (died at Winter Quarters), Lyman Peter (6); sis, bro-in-law, Almira Henrietta (19), John Riggs Murdock (22); 4 sis, Melissa (24), Mary Elizabeth (21), Alzina Lucinda (14), Harriet Amanda (11) (died at Winter Quarters, NE).
 16* Party (company) Heber C. Kimball Co
 17* Route (trail) Mormon Trail to SLC
 18* Date of arrival 28 Sep 1848
 19* Place of arrival Great Salt Lake Valley
 20 Relig affil on arrival LDS
 21 Place(s) of settlement Great Salt Lake City, 1848; Lehi, Utah Co, UT, 1851; Heber City, Wasatch Co, UT, 1867
 22 Occupations homemaker, business woman
 23* Date of death 28 Nov 1880 24* Place of death Heber City, Wasatch Co, UT
 25 Date of burial 2 Dec 1880 26 Place of burial Lehi, Utah Co, UT
 27 Sources & repositories Rhea Lott Vance, *Descendents of Cornelius Peter Lott 1728-1972* (1973), pp 3, 7, 11-14, 19-21, 57; Hamilton Gardner, *History of Lehi* (SLC, Deseret News, 1913), pp 404-5; LDS Fam Hist Libr.
 28 Comments The family traveled from Bridgewater, Lucern Co, PA to Kirtland, OH, summer 1837; to near Haun's Mill, MO, autumn 1838; to Pike Co, IL 1838-39; to Nauvoo, IL 1842; to Mt Pisgah, IA 4 Feb- winter 1846; to Winter Quarters, NE, summer 1846. Following her father's death in July 1850, the family moved the following spring to Lehi, UT: Sis, Mary Elizabeth + her husb, Abraham Losee, had settled there.
 29* Submitted by _____
 30* Address _____
 31* Telephone _____
 32* Date 21 July 1990

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SOUTH DAVIS ATTENDS CASTLE VALLEY PAGEANT



by V. Vee Reynolds

On August 2, 1990, forty-two members of the South Davis Chapter, and their spouses chartered a bus and attended the Castle Valley Pageant held in a beautiful natural amphitheater in the hills about ten miles outside Castle Dale. The pageant was written by Montell Seely and directed by Henning Olsen and was under the sponsorship of Castle Dale Utah Stake, Huntington Utah Stake and Ferron Utah Stake as a joint cooperative under the direction of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The group left Bountiful at 1:30 p.m. for Castle Dale, and didn't arrive back to Bountiful until 2:30 a.m., but from the comments of those who attended, it was worth every minute of the time and effort.

Upon arrival at Castle Dale, the group just had time to visit the Pioneer Museum and then were treated to a lamb fry dinner which was just out of this world. After dinner they returned to their bus and were driven up to the pageant site, where they were taken up the hill by Castle Dale members on a large flat bed trailer, with seats, pulled by a tractor. The acoustics were excellent and the pageant could be seen from any seat in the amphitheater. The pageant covered the trials and tribulations of the pioneers from their original call by Brigham Young to leave their comfortable homes in Mount Pleasant and go into and settle the Castle Valley. Authentic carriages, covered wagons, and horses were used to the best of advantage for the presentation and were attended by genuine Indians in their native costumes. Scenes from the Lamanite days of Nephi, the birth of the Savior, the crucifixion, and Jesus appearing to the Nephites on the American Continent were all integrated into the script. Original pioneers were depicted.

Members of the South Davis Chapter could be seen wiping their eyes and blowing their noses, at such poignant scenes which were enacted before them. Our group were heard to remark that it was the very best pageant they had ever attended, including the Hill Cumorah Pageant and the Manti Pageant, and they expressed a firm desire to attend again next year. The entire pageant was one and a half hours long. □



COLD OUT THERE

H. Bartley Heiner

"It looks so cold out there.

Last night it must have snowed."
He stroked his smooth kept beard
And lip mustaschioed.

He says the world is tough.
Too much is now required.
When his work seems too hard;
He quits because he's tired.

He didn't like his job.
The boss was such a jerk.
It's rough coping out there,
To find his kind of work.

He won't raise a garden,
There's weeds that must be hoed.
He wouldn't drive a truck,
It's dangerous on the road.

He can't be a policeman,
It's not safe to wear a star.
He wouldn't join the army,
He'd have to go to war.

It isn't worth the effort,
He tells his wife, Annie.
So she brings in the bacon;
While he sits on his fanny.

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EAGLE ROCK CHAPTER DEDICATES MEMORIAL TO IDAHO FALLS L.D.S. HOSPITAL



Left to Right Sitting: Ray Stoddard, Verl Petersen, Gilbert McKinley, Mayor Tom Campbell. Standing in Rear: Francis Stoddard, Eugene Dallimore.

At Idaho Falls, Idaho on a beautiful 24th of July day (1990), the Eagle Rock Chapter of Sons of Utah Pioneers, held dedicatory ceremonies pertaining to the erection of a monument honoring the operation of the Idaho Falls LDS Hospital. Members of the local chapter and friends of the former hospital, numbering nearly one hundred persons, assembled at the memorial site at 11 a.m. to enjoy a 45-minute ceremony. Guests speakers included: a nurse, the Idaho Falls mayor and Verl Peterson, former President of the National Society of SUP. The restored brick from the hospital was used in erecting the monument, bears

three mounted plaques: the official one of the Society, which provides the historic text data; and two plaques which reflects the hospital edifice originally and as it changed structurally in the course of remodeling.

This attractive memorial will take its place with other statuary, within the Snake River green belt bordering the east bank of the river, and is not far from the site of the hospital for which it was created.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Idaho Falls LDS Hospital was, in sequence of enumeration, ownership and operation, the third hospital built by

the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, with funding from the Church; also from local hospital district then organized from eight existing stakes at the time. President Heber J. Grant dedicated the structure as a hospital and the School of Nursing (a three-year training program), on 22nd October, 1923. The School of Nursing graduated students annually between 1923-1959 and the hospital, under the name cited, functioned giving exemplary service to all the people of the Upper Snake River Valley of Idaho, regardless of race and religion until 1st of April, 1975, at which time the Church divested its ownership, vesting title and operation in the Intermountain Health Care Corporation of Salt Lake City, Utah. However, hospital service continued under the names of Idaho Falls and Riverview through December 1986. The hospital structure was razed in the ensuing months. □

George Albert Smith Chapter Reports

By Richard Grant Thayne

Mayor and Past-president of the Chapter Viri Dixon called a meeting to clean-up the Pioneer Village at Sowietts Park.

This meeting was called to prepare for the 24th of July celebration and the upcoming encampment. The George Albert Smith Chapter was named after the great man who Brigham Young put in charge of the Provo Stake. This village sets on the area of the second fort Provo.

They moved from the fort by the Provo River in 1850. They were trying to find a safer place from the Indians. While here they were threatened by chief Walker.

In spite of the contrary stories of our modern authors it was Chief Sowietts warning that saved the saints, and not the generosity of Chief Walker.

Chief Walker was later converted to the church and was baptized.

This evening, July 16th, we concentrated on cleaning the Blacksmith Shop, the first Edgemont School, built in 1858, and tidied up other areas.

We have a covered wagon which actually crossed the plains, which can be observed during our encampment.,

Pres. Terry Demile Blackburn took charge. He was helped by Pres.- elect. Jack Hopkinson, Treasurer Geral Wilde,



Directors, Jeff Wilde, Clyde Jones, Sidney Johnson, and Chapter Correspondent Richard G. Thayne.

There was a good feeling of brotherhood and accomplishment as we worked together.

July 24 1990

A good photojournalist has to plan his moves. I yelled "Come on kids, let's be in the picture by the old School." Excited, they stood in front of the old Edgemont School as the pioneer children did as Walter Cox rode past, the fanciest horse and surney in Ft. Provo. □



The teacher is President Terry Demille Blackburn, President of the George Albert Smith Chapter



Geral Wilde selling pioneer goodies to children



An interior picture of the Pioneer Museum

by Ralph B. Mackay

Richard Savage, President of the Taylorsville-Bennion Chapter of the SUP, presented a check for \$750.00 to Lavell Prince. (We have since added \$230.00 more.)

Mr. Prince is the President of a non-profit corporation named "Restore the Pride" that was created to acquire and restore the old Taylorsville Cemetery.

Many of the early pioneer families are buried in the Taylorsville Cemetery. □



TEMPLE QUARRY IDAHO TREK

Thirty nine members of the Temple Quarry Chapter, left by bus June 29th for Idaho by way of Logan Canyon to Bear Lake and to the Minnetonka Cave, where most of the group went through the cave. Then on to the Paris, Idaho Historical Tabernacle for a tour.

From there we went to Soda Springs where everyone tasted the water at the Hooper Spring. We went into the center of town to watch the Geyser that erupts every hour on the hour.

Our next stop was Lava Hot Springs where we spent the night. Everyone enjoyed a Lazy A Ranch Chuck Wagon dinner, program and dance then it was back to the pool for a swim before bed.

Saturday we went through Pocatello and Arco to the Craters of the moon for a tour and climb to the top of some of the

craters. Afterward we went on to the Shoshone Ice Cave for a tour.

We piled on the bus and left for Burley, Idaho where we were to spend the night. We saw slides and heard a talk on the City of Rocks which was given by Merlin Stock, a former forest ranger from Burley.

Sunday we headed south through Declo, Albion, Elba and Almo to the City of Rocks where we found many of the things we saw in the slides. After leaving here we headed for home.

Glen and Donna Greenwood and Gene and Betty Newbold were in charge of the trek. A bus party was held on July 30th on the patio at Newbold's home, where dinner was enjoyed by all. Pictures of the trip were passed around for everyone to see and enjoy. □

TAYLORSVILLE-BENNION CHAPTER HELPS RESTORE MEMORIAL GARDEN CEMETERY



HURRICANE VALLEY CHAPTER

by Frank J. Petty

The Hurricane Valley Chapter of SUP was again very involved in the 24th of July Celebration in Hurricane. It began with a Founders Trek for wagons, horses, men, women and children start-



ing south of town and traveling into Hurricane, arriving at the city park in time to join the city parade at 8:30 am.

That evening we again presented the historical pageant, MEN OF STEEL. (Those who attended the National Encampment here in 1989 will remember it.) This pageant is a story of the building of the Hurricane Canal in the early 1900's. It tells of the planning and the hardships and sacrifice of our ancestors to bring water to the Hurricane bench and make this valley prosper. The pageant was directed by Chapter Past President Robert Langston who also wrote much of the script. This pageant has been presented on the 24th of July for the past several years. Each year a few changes are written into it making it

more historical. The cast is made up of chapter members, their families and some horses, who for several weeks in July spend a great deal of time in rehearsal and who feel it a joy to bring to light the history of this community. The production is enjoyed by about 300 people at our beautiful Heritage Park and was also enhanced this year by the addition of a new sound system in our outdoor theatre.

Our plans for future productions include a video film to be made in the river gorge of the canal to provide a more realistic picture of the hardships encountered as the Pioneers of Dixie struggled for water and survival in this arid land. This video film can also be used in the Heritage Park Museum in Hurricane to show tourists and town members a more graphic history of the Hurricane Pioneers challenge in bringing water out of the Virgin River

On June 15th and 16th, 1990 forty five members, spouses and guests of the HVC made a trek to Mt. Trumbull and Tuweep on the Arizona Strip south of Hurricane. Friday evening as we prepared for the night, tents were pitched under the stars while some enjoyed the luxury of motor homes, house trailers or campers. Lynn Sanders served a great dutch oven dinner after which we enjoyed a campfire program and learned a little history of the area from a Sister Harris. The lumber to build the St. George Temple came from Mt. Trumbull. We enjoyed great fellowship the next morning as Lynn served us breakfast and we explored a little more of the area around us. Many of those on the trek took time to drive out to the Tuweep Overlook in Grand Canyon National Park. It is a beautiful sight to view this area and to see the Colorado River over 3,000 feet below you—almost straight down. Because of the many miles on dirt roads this area of Grand Canyon sees very few visitors. Our chapter thanks Lynn Sanders for his planning and efforts. □

HISTORICAL VIGNETTES MARTYRDOM REVEALED

from the autobiography of James Holt
by Ray L. Alston

An overflow crowd had gathered in the Lebanon, Tenn., courthouse to listen to two Mormon elders. It was early evening on June 27, 1844. Elder James Holt, preaching about Joseph Smith and

the first principles of the gospel, suddenly stopped. The crowd was puzzled by his strange action.

Then, in an earnest and commanding voice, the young elder solemnly declared; "It has been made known to me that our Prophet Joseph Smith has been martyred, and you may take this as a testimony that what I have told you this night about The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is true."

The meeting was dismissed. Elder Holt and his companion, Elder Jackson Smith, pondered this strange revelation as they returned to the home of Elder Holt's parents for the night.

Two months before, the young elders had left Nauvoo for missions in Tennessee, hoping they could convert Elder Holt's parents, Jesse and Elizabeth, and other relatives in the Lebanon area.

What, they wondered, would Joseph Smith's death mean for the future of the Church? And what should they do now? Elder Smith decided he would stay there, and agreed to continue teaching Elder Holt's family. But Elder Holt felt impressed to return to Nauvoo to find out what the Church leadership now might want him to do. He left the next morning.

Most of the way he traveled on foot. One day, walking along a quiet road, he came to a house where a man was sitting on the porch intently reading a newspaper. Tired and thirsty, Elder Holt stopped and asked the man for a drink. The man motioned towards a bucket of water but continued his reading. After quenching his thirst and resting for a moment, the grateful missionary asked the man what was so interesting in the newspaper.

The man replied that he was reading a report of the deaths of Joseph Smith and his brother at Carthage Jail in Illinois. The two were killed June 27th just after 5 p.m. — the very evening when Elder Holt had learned of the tragedy through the Spirit.

The elder, saddened to see in print, confirmation of his personal revelation, nevertheless felt humbled and privileged to have received that knowledge by inspiration. He thanked the man and then quickened his pace along the long sad road to Nauvoo. □

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TEMPLE QUARRY CHAPTER DEDICATES “ANDRUS HALFWAY HOUSE AND NEFF STATION” MONUMENT

On June 23, at 11:00 a.m., the Temple Quarry Chapter held their dedication of the “Andrus Halfway House and Neff Station” monument. James B. Ostler, President of Temple Quarry Chapter, officiated. He welcomed all those in attendance and announced the program.

Fred Johnson gave the opening prayer. Trails and Landmarks Vice President, Charles E. Pitts, gave remarks telling of the amount of work and funds raised to accomplish the erection of the monument. Kenneth Rasmussen, Nat'l President-Elect, gave a history of Andrus Halfway House and the old Neff Station, then cleverly finished his talk with a song.

In conclusion, Harold Oakeson, Chaplain of the Chapter, gave the dedicatory prayer.

Refreshments were served to approximately 100 people in attendance.

The late Russell Stocking along with Andrew Eldredge, a past president, began the project by raising funds for the erection of the monument. Following this period of time all the past presidents and Trails and Landmarks chairmen contributed their time and efforts towards accomplishing this goal.

Many fund raisers were held; one Chinese auction, three garage sales, cookbooks with members recipes were published and sold, plus cash donations by many faithful Temple Quarry Chapter members as well as other generous contributors. May we express our deep appreciation and gratitude to all who helped make this project possible.

ANDRUS HALFWAY HOUSE

compiled by the late Russell Stocking

After the early settlement of the Mormon Pioneers in the Salt Lake Valley the normal movement of people was to the north and south following the natural terrain of the valleys, probably the largest movement was to the south.

To satisfy the needs of travelers, freighters, stagecoach, trappers, etc. numerous places for overnight accommodations were built. A natural one was midway between Travelers Rest near 6400 South and Porter Rockwells layout near the point of the mountain.

Milo Andrus was an early pioneer and great missionary for the L.D.S. Church, having come to Salt Lake Valley in 1850 with a company of saints who he had charge of coming from England. He organized this group of saints and others and was their

leader while crossing the plains and brought them to the valley with very little difficulty. He later served various colonization missions and was a pioneer also of Green River, Dixie, and Cache Valley in Utah and Salmon River and Oxford in Idaho. He moved some of his families in the mid and late 1850's to an area called the Jordan Bottoms near and north of present day 10600 South where he had filed for 160 acres of land which he purchased and later received a U.S. patent deed dated September 10, 1875. This land extended east to present day State Street which was then as now the major road (before the freeway system) going south from Salt Lake.

This area was also called Dry Creek which was a former outlet for Little Cottonwood Creek, where there was an abundance of good water available by digging wells. After some stay in the Jordan Bottoms which in those days had also plenty of water and natural grasses for forage for livestock. Milo, previous to a call to serve a mission to England in 1859 called his families together and gave them several assignments for the caring of livestock and distribution of food etc. in order to survive while he was away.

Some of the wives at Dry Creek then, were Lucy Loomis Tuttle Andrus, Adeline Alexander Andrus, and Jane Mundy Andrus. To Lucy, he assigned the responsibility of building as hotel at 10330 So. State, the Hotel was renamed the Half Way House and has carried that name even to present day times.

Lucy, along with many others, had suffered many hardships. Having had black scurvy while crossing the plains

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and had been left a widow with a young family previous to her marriage to Milo Andrus, she was an industrious and well organized person.

The building she was assigned to build when finished had a large dining room and a large kitchen and a parlor downstairs and three bedrooms upstairs.

After the Half Way House was finished, naturally the wives found themselves sharing communal living which was a new situation for them and caused some adjustments but they learned to accept conditions as they were. One wife was assigned the job of cooking, to another housekeeping and washing of dishes, to another sewing and to another the care of the livestock and horses and milking of cows. Adjacent to the house was a large barn with a good well nearby.

The girls of the families, many who were very talented entertained the guests at the Half Way House which was a real oasis in those days. The wives walked to and from the Draper Ward to attend Relief Society which was a distance of eight miles there and back before they could afford other means of transportation.

Jane Munday Andrus had many special talents. She taught school in South Jordan across the river. She went to school for training and became a graduate mid-wife. She ran a knitting machine for the Draper Relief Society and owned one of the first sewing machines brought across the plains. The building although used as a residence for the Andrus families and available to a degree for overnight lodging by travelers also had other uses. The Andrus children and those of nearby neighbors were taught school at different intervals, probably by Jane Munday Andrus.

During the interval of the Pony Express, April 31, 1860 to October 24, 1861 it has been mentioned in some of the Andrus histories that some of the boys of the families took care of horses for some of the riders, and it has been generally thought for a long time that it was a Pony Express Station but that is officially not correct. It may have been used as an emergency station only, as the official stations south of Salt Lake were Travelers Rest at 6400 South State and Porter Rockwell's major stop-over at the Point of the Mountain, which was one of the largest stop over places going south. It was a major stage coach, travelers and general rest area and also a relay station for the Deseret Telegraph. Mention is made that the Half Way House was called a tavern and as word

was spread of its availability many segments of the traveling public used the accommodations available.

A special note but not a happy one should be mentioned of one of the children of Emma Covert and Milo Andrus. When times were hard they gave one of their children to the Archibald Gardner family in West Jordan, this child was Carrie, born September 17, 1872, and at the age of six on Christmas Day, trudged across the Jordan River to the Gardner home carrying all she owned done up in a large bandanna. She later married Robert Gardner. A daughter of Carrie, Elva Gardner Gaff, was kind enough to help this writer gather some lead information on the Andrus family which was move helpful in establishing a base for research.

Lucy Loomis Tuttle Andrus operated the Half Way House for about seven years. In the late 1860's times became hard for the families. A freighter and friend by the name of James Miller told Lucy that a great opportunity presented itself for a hotel in Spanish Fork. Lucy explored the possibilities and decided in 1868 to move her family there. They built the Spanish Fork Hotel which turned out to be a very prosperous venture and operated it for many years. They were able to purchase other properties in the area and were among the early stalwart pioneers of Spanish Fork. By this time some of the other wives had moved to other places.

With the coming of the Railroad south from Salt Lake, travel diminished considerably on State Street causing hard times to operators of the Hotels and travelers stop-overs.

On October 29, 1881 the property

was sold to John Eddins who moved some of his families from Salt Lake to the Half Way House. He lived part of the time in Salt Lake where he operated a brewery which was the second one built there. He was an expert horseman, Indian Scout and fought in the Black Hawk War. He was also engaged in helping to build the Salt Lake Temple, having come to Utah in 1847 with Heber C. Kimball's Company.

A daughter, Harriet Susanah Eddins Smith, remembered people stopping at the well at the Half Way House to refresh themselves. She remembers very vividly Porter Rockwell being one of them as he was a frequent visitor and that she often combed and braided his long black hair. Some mention is made in some histories and by some now living that Porter Rockwell operated a bar at the Half Way House and served the necessary ingredients to those who were interested.

The Eddin family sold the property in 1893 to William Winn. The Winn family were very enterprising people and made a room available to travelers who could qualify. As these were still the horse and buggy days there was still a certain amount of travel on State Street that needed overnight accommodations. It seemed the good water at the well was a good attraction to stop and care for their horses, etc., and generally refresh themselves. About this time there was also a great deal of freight and wagon traffic hauling produce etc. from Utah County into Salt Lake and back. Members of the Winn family now living (spring 1979) remark how people in their wagons etc. would be strung along the side of the road for the overnight stop. There was also a good spring of water across State Street to the East.

Mrs. Winn took in school teachers for boarders which was a common practice in those days. Mrs. Winn who had become a widow operated a small store in part of the building. Some of the Winn girls were very talented in the nursing profession.

One of the daughters now living in American Fork, Mrs. Theodore H. "Mamie" Pardahn, whom this writer is well acquainted with, relates that they used to make homemade ice cream and cake and sell it for 10 cents on Sundays. She has mentioned she hated for Sundays to come as people from all over the south part of the valley would come and enjoy the treat. Many people still living can remember that attraction as it was still known as the Half Way House.

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the house which had been used for grain storage and was later used for weddings etc. and in all probability for dances.

The property was sold in 1939 to Williams Sanders who in turn sold it to his brother Elmer Sanders. The lot where the house stands was later sold to Vince Palmansino, who sold the house and lot to ZCMI on May 24, 1978.

The barn was torn down in the 1950's and the house was later moved to Pioneer Trails State Park.

THE NEFF STATION

A most significant part of the area was also the Neff property which joined the Andrus property to the north. In the late 1860's, Benjamin Barr Neff, who served with Lot Smith during 1862 on a special Mormon military contingent to help protect the mail and telegraph lines and travelers from murdering Indians and other destructions. He moved his family to Dry Creek, now Crescent. There he built a home and building similar to the Half Way House and was only a few hundred yards from the Andrus Home.

He operated a Hotel type and eating business for a few years. Evidence of this is a receipt of licenses issued in 1868, 1869 and 1870 by the Internal

Revenue Office. Due to the coming of the Railroad into Central Utah this type of service ended in 1871.

During this interim the Deseret Telegraph Company had run lines to the north and south from Salt Lake and a designated office was established in the Neff Home in the fall of 1871 and called "Neff Station at Dry Creek."

Benjamin had married his second wife, Mary Ellen Love on October 7, 1870. She was a very talented person and had learned telegraphy while living in Nephi. She became the operator at Neff's Station after her marriage.

In 1873 when the railroad built lines to Little Cottonwood Canyon and Bingham Canyon to support the newly developed mining operations, the Neff Station was moved to Sandy and Mary Ellen was pressed into service as the operator. From this office she worked the north and south lines as well as junction lines running to Alta and Bingham. As proof of her efficiency she was issued a certificate of membership in the Old Timers Telegraphers and Historical Association on May 12, 1904.

Mary Ellen had a special mission call from the Draper Relief Society appointing her to take special training in nursing and obstetrics. She graduated

with honors from Doctor Ramania B. Pratt's class and practiced this profession in the Dry Creek area. After the death of her husband and division of the properties she moved back to Nephi where she practiced extensively in the Juab area and in later years was noted the most popular lady in Juab County.

Benjamin was by nature an industrious person having a Swiss ancestry to back him up. He established a large farm with its compliment of dairy cows, horses, mules etc. Benjamin died February 18, 1883 and his son John Brenne-man remained on the farm which by now was about half the original acreage, and developed a large scale chicken and turkey business.

A well dug by Benjamin Neff is still on the property and has been used until recently in the business operations.

The Neff property along with the Andrus adjoining property has been used until recently in the business operations.

The Neff property along with the Andrus adjoining property has succumbed to the new phase of industrialization, as this area has become involved into a new development. □

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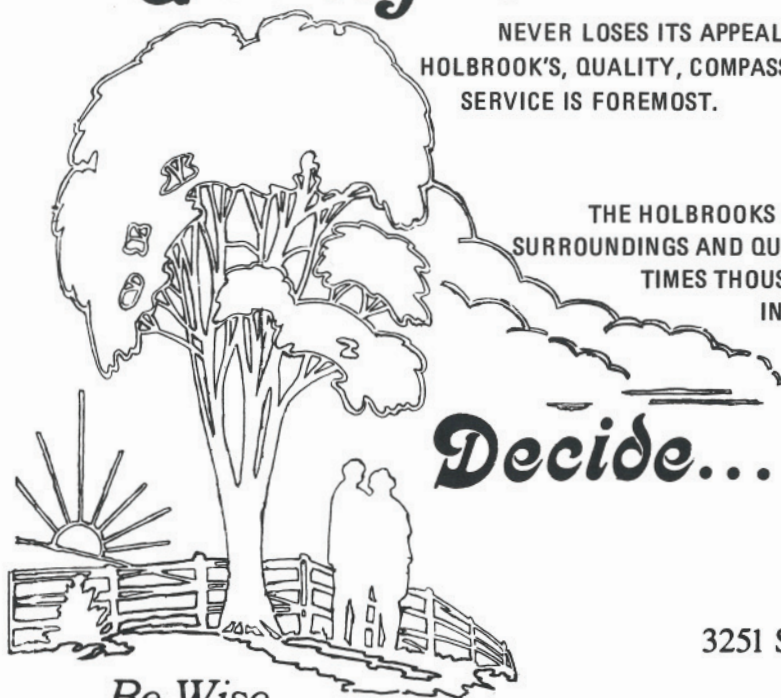
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EASY GOING ON THE PIONEER TRAIL

by Walter R. Buss

On June 2, 1990, members of the Ogden Pioneer SUP with their wives and companions, 43 strong, under the direction of Stewart Radmall, Trek Chairman, and with Dr. Walter R. Buss, professor emeritus of geology and geography at Weber State College and Dr. Gene Sessions, professor of history at Weber State College as Trek Guides retraced the trail of the Harlan-Young party of 1846 through Weber Canyon and the Mormon Pioneer Trail from Echo to "This Is The Place". Dr. Buss and Dr. Sessions had prepared handouts, actually guides and road logs identifying and describing the various points of geologic, geographic, and historic interest enroute. These guides, together with the running comments of these two men and with stops at the most significant points, gave each participant a greater feel for the trials and problems of these early travelers.

Our first major stop was near the mouth of Weber Canyon at Devil's Gate. Here the Weber River makes a sharp bend of more than 100 degrees through a short, very narrow, very steep, sheer-walled, rock-walled and rock-filled gorge. Of the thousands of modern-day travelers on I-84 who pass the Gate each day, few if any even notice this gorge and fewer still are aware of what this area was like in pioneer days when an extremely steep hill of loose material covered with loose rock and rising a hundred or so feet above the river, extended from the top of the hill above the Interstate on the south to the edge of the rock-walled gorge, a barrier so nearly insurmountable that only one or two wagon trains ever attempted this route until a roadway had been constructed through the Gate. To these early travelers, there were only two choices, two ways to get through, down the river, through the rapids, and over 2-3 foot boulders, or over that steep, probably brush-covered hill. The hill was formed when, during a heavy

thunderstorm centuries ago, a mud-rock flow came out of the canyon to the south, dammed the Weber River and forced it to flow around the toe of the mud-rock flow in a path where the rock-walled gorge is now located. In fact, there probably was more than one mud-rock flow, the first of which caused the river to flow over the top of the rock mound north of the railroad tracks where it left many stream eroded potholes, while a second longer and perhaps bigger mud-rock flow forced the river still farther into the north wall of Weber Canyon where it carved the present gorge.

Other brief stops were made in Morgan Valley to discuss the origin of this valley, at Devil's Slide, near the mouth of Echo Canyon, and at the Main Canyon Campsite west of Henefer.

One of the most interesting stops was at the head of Main Canyon at what was called Hogsback Summit or Pratt's Pass. Here the group stopped and walked along a portion of the trail where erosion of the wagon tracks has removed all loose material above bedrock and there is some indication that some of the marks on the rock are those made by pioneer wagons. The modern paved road down the south side of the Hogsback Summit is relatively straight, but for wagons, it was so steep they had to zigzag down the hill into Dixie Hollow

and the valley of East Canyon Creek. Lunch, provided as part of the tour package, was eaten in East Canyon State Park.

From there, the trek route was up East Canyon to Mormon Flat with everyone thinking of the difficulties associated with building this pioneer trail through the dense brush and abundant willow trees that still line the valley bottom. At Mormon Flat, the pioneer trail leaves East Canyon for the climb to Big Mountain. Here, Dr. Sessions, who has traversed this section on foot, further identified the difficulties still facing the pioneers as they struggled up the next to last ridge before the Great Salt Lake Valley. He also discussed the fortifications in this and other areas constructed during the Utah War. The canyon followed by the modern highway, some three miles north of Mormon Flat was too narrow for the Pioneer Trail.

At Big Mountain, the group was met by Mr. and Mrs. Julius Geilman with the handcart he and William Terry had found in Iowa. Here too, each participant had an opportunity to observe firsthand the steep slope traversed by the deadlock wagons on the west side of the summit and the deep gullies that have developed in a hundred and forty years of erosion along the old tracks.

Another major stop was at Donner Hill in the mouth of Emigration Canyon where in a few hours the Mormon pioneers cleared and built a roadway which provided the pioneers with a much easier route than the steep hill to the south climbed by the Donner party the year before.

Final stop of the day was at "This Is The Place" where the group could contrast and ponder the vast differences between this trek of today and that of their pioneer forbears, between the valley as it was in 1847 and that of 1990 and thereby gain an even greater appreciation for our heritage. □



WESTWARD HO!

Florence Youngberg

*Bring me men to match my mountains,
Bring me men to match my plains,
Men with empires in their purpose,
And new eras in their brains.*

Picture in your mind, Brigham Young as a young man of about 45 years of age, standing on the banks of the great Mississippi River gazing west. What thoughts went through his mind as he contemplated what he knew for a certainty was about to be started.

What would your thoughts have been in a similar circumstance. He had never been west of the Missouri River and knew very little of the country out west. He knew what he had heard from travelers and mountain men and explorers, but there was only the maps which John C. Fremont had made in his travels and the journal of Escalante. The general consensus of opinion of the world at that time is best expressed by Daniel Webster in 1830:

"What do we want with this vast worthless area, this region of savages and wild beasts, of desert, of shifting sands, and whirlwinds of dust, of cactus and prairie dogs? To what use could we ever hope to put these great deserts or these endless mountain ranges, impenetrable and covered to their bases with eternal snow? I will never vote one cent from the Public Treasury to place the Pacific Coast one inch nearer to Boston than it now is."

Very few people who had gone west and come back, had anything very good to say about the area west of the Missouri River. They described it as being mostly desert and high mountains with extremes of heat and cold, storms and lack of ground that could be cultivated or water to irrigate with. It didn't sound promising. Yet Brigham Young knew that somewhere out there was a valley that he would lead his people to where they, hopefully, would be safe from the influences, persecutions and condemnations of the world. A place where they could build up their "Zion" according to God's commandments and their own hard work.

The road that would be followed would be rough and in some places they might have to make new roads. There would be rivers to cross, some of them deep and swift. Which kinds of wagons would be the easiest to travel with? Would oxen, horses or mules be best to pull the wagons. How much food would they need. Each family had to carry their

own. It was finally decided that a suggested amount was 1,000 pounds of flour, 50 each of sugar, bacon, and rice, 30 of beans and 25 of salt, 20 of dried fruit, 5 of tea, plus a gallon of vinegar and 10 bars of soap. Course they would have to hunt for their meat on the way.

What of those who became sick? What of babies who would undoubtedly be born on the way? Could the people cope with the sickness and deaths which would most certainly occur with that many inexperienced people on that kind of trek? How steep were the mountain passes? Would they be able to find water at camping places? How about feed for the animals. What about those who wouldn't be able to get the necessary equipment to leave with them. What would happen to them?

These and many other questions faces this gallant leader as he looked toward to the west. He studied every bit of information he could get hold of and I am sure he interviewed everyone he could find that had been and returned from the west. The Lord had directed him to take his people west and he would! It mattered not how difficult the way would be.

Finally, Brigham Young knew it was time to start. He had instructed his people how best to prepare for the journey. Some were ready, many were not. Money was hard to come by and without money they could not get the equipment they needed. Some had been able to sell their properties but many had not been so fortunate. When the scheduled day came, they crossed the Mississippi River under difficult circumstances of cold, snow and ice. There was sickness and many of the people were ill prepared for the journey.

We have heard many stories and read many books about the journey west and the problems they faced. It has been suggested that upward of 84,000 pioneers reached the valley while 6,000 plus were left in graves along the way. It was not an easy journey, but when they reached the valley, they were determined not to falter but to carry on with what they had started.

The first thing upon reaching the valley was to find a place to camp. Brigham told them that as soon as they were set up, some of the men should start plowing. Knowing what we do now about the length of the growing season here, it is a wonder that anything grew, but they did get a crop of sorts. When they first entered the valley, there were no trees but there was an abundance of oak brush, sage brush and tall grass. There were 5

main creeks which flowed from the Wasatch Mountains to the east and all that was needed was to irrigate the land. There was much feed for the cattle. In Thomas Bullock's journal he wrote:

"As we progressed down the valley, small clumps of dwarf oak and willows appeared; the grass grown six or seven feet high, many different kinds of grass appeared, some being ten or twelve feet high. After wading through thick grass for some distance, we found a place bare enough for a camp ground, the grass being only knee deep but very thick."

Mr Bullock may have exaggerated some on the height of the grass but the land was not barren as we have so often been led to believe. It wasn't until 10 years later in some of the saints journals that they called the land barren.

Thus was the settling of the valley commenced. This great leader with his vision of the future, immediately marked out the valley as he knew it should be laid out and instructed the people to build good strong houses which would weather the elements. They were instructed to put in gardens and prepare for the coming winter.

Brigham sent out word with the missionaries that he wanted people who had special talents such as cobblers, carpenters, tanners, builders, mill workers, etc. to come west and bring with them as far as possible, the equipment of their trade. His idea was to make the people in the valley self-sufficient so they would have little or no cause to purchase their needs from outside the valley. Not long ago in the paper was an article which stated that it has been determined that if a high wall were built clear around the entire state of Utah, that we would be able to take care of all our needs without help from the outside.

Brigham Young said; "We have been kicked out of the frying pan into the fire and out of the fire into the middle of the floor and here we are and here we will stay. We shall build a city like no other in the world and a temple to the most High God in this forsaken place.

There was much to be done in this desert community. Let me suggest some of the goals and problems that Brigham faced now that he was finally here.

First, the people needed homes. Many were still living in wagons, dug-outs, log cabins. Roads were needed so they could get to the timber in the mountains. They had to construct bridges along with the roads. Fields had to be plowed and gardens planted. Meat for the coming

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winter had to be hunted and prepared so it would keep.

Brigham knew they needed a place to meet until churches could be built. There were stores to be put up, schools to be reared. He knew they needed protection from the Indians and other sources, so walls and forts needed to be constructed.

Next Brigham had to form some sort of a judicial system to handle the many problems that arose from so many people living together. This entailed some type of political system. The church system of government was fine but as more people settled this valley, many of them not of our church there would have to be some form of government along with the church.

Third, he knew the need for good entertainment and what would happen if he didn't see that the right kind of entertainment was there for his people before the usual bar rooms and gambling houses that followed the new towns' west, were made a part of his city.

Fourth, he knew they would grow so he had to look toward the expansion into other towns near and far so that his people would be somewhat protected from other "undesirable" people forming towns which would create more of the kind of trouble they had come so far to get away from.

Brigham soon found that it was expedient that a type of welfare program be established to help those in need.

There were mills to be built, tanneries, iron foundries, blacksmith shops and many other kinds of business establishments that needed to be brought into the valley. At one time he had the machinery purchased in France and brought

over here for a sugar mill which is where Sugar House got its name.

What is the result of his planning and dreaming?

A beautiful city, temple, homes, businesses, schools, and churches. Talents abound here.

It didn't matter whether it was doctors, lawyers, nurses, seamstresses, iron workers, pottery makers, match makers, tanners, shoe makers, you name it, Brigham saw that we had it. People learned to work. They learned to develop their talents, then learned to use them.

Many of you may not be aware that Brigham and the city fathers had dreams of a valley wide transportation system after the railroad came that would go from one end of the valley to the other. He tried to think of and anticipate everything. We all know of the tremendous influence the old Salt Lake Theater had on entertainment. Some of the finest talent in the country played there at various times. It left a legacy that has been followed down to today for good entertainment.

We have a state we can be proud of. Our universities are some of the finest. President Young said; "SHOW ME YOUR FAITH BY YOUR WORK AND ACTIONS." He believed it was sacrilegious to call on God for help without also putting forth all possible effort towards gaining the objective.

This is the legacy he left us and if we keep uppermost in our minds that "This is the Place" that God told Brigham Young to lead his people to, and that Brigham Young encouraged his people to develop and make the most of, then we will work harder to keep it beautiful and industrious and desirable. □

SOUTH DAVIS IN BOUNTIFUL PARADE

by V. Vee Reynolds

The South Davis Chapter won praises and acclaim for their entry in the Bountiful Handcart Days Parade, held in Bountiful, Utah on July 23, 1990. The handcart was covered with bows and a white canvas cover similar to the old prairie schooners seen in pioneer days. The parade committee were generous in their praises to the South Davis Chapter for their well-designed handcart, and the authentic pioneer costumes of those who pulled the handcart.



The handcart was pulled in both the Bountiful Handcart Days Parade and the Days of '47 Parade in Salt Lake on July 24, 1990, by Perry and Lisa Smith, their children Aunica, Brian and Daniel. Little Brad Smith could be seen peering intently out of the rear of the covered cart. Brad and Lisa made their own costumes keeping in mind the intent to make them as authentic as they could. South Davis is deeply indebted to the Smith's for their efforts in the parades and to Bishop Eugene Moore of the 36th Ward for taking the time to transport the handcart to Salt Lake and return. Such cooperation among modern pioneers builds lasting friendships just as it did in former times. □

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MORMON BATTALION VIGNETTES THE POWER OF THE PRIESTHOOD IS MANIFEST IN THE LIVES OF THE BATTALION MEMBERS

By Carl V. Larson

Before they left Council Bluffs, Brigham Young told the members of the Mormon Battalion to do their duty and honor the Priesthood. For the most part they were faithful in heeding Brigham's council. An event from the life of James Van Nostrand illustrates the point very well.

James V. Williams was a member of Company E. He re-enlisted at Los Angeles and was eventually discharged in March of 1848. The summer of 1848 found him prospecting for gold with a man named Patton.

Unfortunately James contracted mountain fever which left him very weak and blind. Patton then ran off with all the gold the two of them had dug. James described it as being, "a little over \$18.00 between us". The following incident was extracted from James' journal.

"Sometime in October there came to my camp one evening an aged Mexican and his wife. I could not see them but heard them speak the Spanish language, which I understood sufficiently to converse with them. They had a couple of Jackasses each to pack and one to ride for each.

"I asked them to camp with me, as I was alone, sick and blind. They unpacked and camped with me. I told the man that I had a rich claim and he could work it which he agreed to. His wife being a good herb doctress, soon had the fever broken and tried to cure my eyes, but could do them no good.

"In a few days after the arrival of my new acquired friends, one of my Battalion mess mates came to my camp and knew me. His name is John Spidle, and accompanied with an outsider, who were prospecting.

"John asked me what I was doing there. I told him my condition, that I had had the mountain fever, but that this Mexican and wife had broken that up and that I was gaining strength very rapidly, but that I was blind. John then asked me if I had any faith in the healing powers of the priesthood? I told him that

I had. Then if you have, said he, you can and will receive your sight in half an hour.

"He opened a box of sardines, took the fishes out and blessed the oil and anointed my eyes with the oil, and sure enough what felt like scales fell off my eyes and my sight was restored to me in that same hour. But my eyes smarted and burned terribly.

"He told me to keep my eyes shaded with some dark colored cloth until they got used to the light, which I did. His companion and my friends the Mexicans looking on. They thought Brother Spidle to be a wizard."

James V. Williams eventually made his way to the Salt Lake valley where he met his family. His father did not know him as he had been away for 9 years. James was 15 1/2 years old when he joined the Battalion having been born December 13, 1830, and was 18 years old when the above events took place. He was 81 on March 11, 1911 when he died at Monroe, Utah. He is buried in the Monroe, Utah Cemetery.

Williams, James V. Personal Journal. Copy on file with the US Mormon Battalion Inc. □



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CHAPTER ETERNAL

CECIL DUTTON

CECIL DUTTON, 77, a Life Member of the Hurricane valley Chapter of SUP, died December 3, 1989 at the Dixie Medical Center. Cecil was born in Hatch, Oarfield County, Utah to Joseph Ephraim and Julia Merrill Dutton. He had been a resident of Hurricane since 1937. He was a carpenter by trade and at one time he operated a saw mill at Mt. Trumbull on the Arizona strip. He was an active member of the LDS Church — a High Priest and had served in the St. George Temple as an ordinance worker. He is survived by his wife Delma, whom he married June 10, 1937 in the St. George LDS Temple; two sons and one daughter, twenty-two grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren. Burial was in the Hurricane City Cemetery.

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WAYNE HILTON HINTON

WAYNE H. HINTON, 84, a Life Member of the Hurricane valley SUP, died at his home in Hurricane on May 16, 1990. He was born in Abraham, Millard County, Utah. He came to Hurricane in 1906 with his parents who were among the first 10 families to settle in Hurricane. He was well educated and had received Master's Degree from the University of Utah. He taught school in Washington County for 38 years. He had served in the Utah State Legislature, the Hurricane City Council and also as mayor of Hurricane. He helped develop the beautiful Hurricane Heritage Park. He gave many histories at SUP Meetings and was an

outstanding historian. Wayne was active in the LDS Church having served as a ward clerk, Zion Park Stake Presidency, High Priests Quorum group leader and as an ordinance worker in the St. George LDS Temple. He is survived by his wife Jean, whom he married June 9, 1939 in the Manti Temple; 1 daughter and 2 sons and 22 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

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GUY BERTRAND NELSON

GUY B. NELSON, 73, died June 30, 1990 of cancer. He was a member of the Hurricane valley Chapter SUP. He was born in Richmond, Utah. He married Dorothy Geddes On November 22, 1937 In Logan, Utah and their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. Guy moved to Hurricane and Cane Beds, Arizona in 1979. He served in the Air Force during World War II. He had a 30 year career as an electronic specialist in the F-4 Aircraft Division at Hill Air Force Base. He was a High Priest in the Hurricane 5th Ward. Guy had served in various capacities in the organizations of the LDS Church. He is survived by his widow, four children, 13 grandchildren and 3 sisters and 2 brothers.

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OLIVER C. CARLSEN

OLIVER C. CARLSEN, 82, died June 1, 1990 at the Holy Cross Hospital in Salt Lake City. He was a Life Member of the Union Fort Chapter of the S. U. P. He was born January 11, 1908 in Union,

Utah to Rudolph Oliver and Clara Sabina Eckman Carlson. Married Lillie Theressa Holmquist December 18, 1930; later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He was an active member of the LDS Church. A member of the IOOF, Murray #33 for 50 years. Worked for the Union Pacific Railroad as a conductor and foreman, Henry Day Ford as a shop foreman, Holy Cross Hospital as a plant engineer, a crossing guard for Murray City and a Murray City Police reserve officer. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and four sisters.

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CLAIRMONT HAROLD (MONT) MARGETTS

CLAIRMONT HAROLD (MONT) MARGETTS, 76, died June 29, 1990 of complication following heart surgery. He was a member of the Temple Quarry Chapter of the SUP. He was born October 20, 1913 in Sandy, Utah to George Harold and Ellen Erickson Margetts. He married Marian Hand on March 22, 1948, and later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He was an active member of the LDS Church serving in many positions. He and his wife were Ordinance workers in the Jordan River LDS Temple before and after they served a mission at the London LDS Temple. He was a veteran of World War II. and was employed by Kennecott Copper for 40 years. He is survived by his wife, 5 children, 20 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren and 2 brothers.

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- Beehive - 3rd Wed. each month, 7:00 p.m., SUP Building - Salt Lake City.
- Box Elder - 2nd Wed. each month, 6:30 p.m., Box Elder Community Center, Brigham City, Utah.
- Brigham Young - 4th Thur. each month, 6:00 p.m., Room 347 E.L. Wilkinson Center, BYU, Provo, Utah.
- Cedar City - Contact Kent Giles in Cedar City-586-3521.
- East Mill Creek - 3rd Mon. each month, 7:00 p.m., SUP Building-Salt Lake City.
- Holladay - 2nd Fri. each month, 7:00 p.m., SUP Building - Salt Lake City.
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- Mountain Valley - 4th Wed. each month, 7:30 p.m. Call Pres Don L. Hicken-654-0504.
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- Olympus Hills - 4th Thur. each month, 7:00 p.m., SUP Building-Salt Lake City.
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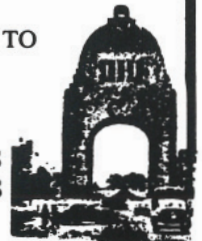
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